

LOCAL BREVITIES.

Another secret wedding?  
Some water in the creek last Friday.

Perfect January days were Monday and Tuesday.

Quite a number of people suffering from grip and colds.

The good roads proposition seems to be moving slowly.

The County Treasurer is prepared to cash all warrants now outstanding.

Some of the rain of the past week would have been more than welcome last summer.

A letter from Mr. B. N. Brown announces the arrival of himself and family at San Diego, California.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Flowers, of Eldon, Iowa, arrived last Wednesday on a visit to relatives in Ironton.

At its meeting last week the city council authorized the light company to put a light on the street east of the railroad.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Reagan, Iron Mountain, Mo., January 7, a bouncing baby boy. Mother and babe are doing nicely.

Fredericktown has been promised a new depot to cost between \$12,000 and \$14,000. Work will commence within the next month.

Mr. Larrimore, who, several years ago was local claim agent for the railroad, is now attorney for the company in Jefferson, Washington and Iron counties.

The Iron County Athletic Association will hold the Annual meeting in Ironton, Saturday, April 14th. Superintendent Hanson will issue the programme in a few days.

My young friend, Frank G. Collins, now of Sarcoux, Mo., was here on a visit to the home folk last week, and of course called at the Register's office. He returned to Sarcoux Monday. Good luck attend him!

Rev. V. O. Penley will hold services in St. Paul's church, Sunday morning, at 9 o'clock, and in the evening at 7:30. Subject of morning service: "The quest of the Wise Men." Evening topic: "The Pension Fund."

Hon. N. A. Moxley, of Bloomfield, who has been local attorney for the Iron Mountain railroad for several years, severed his connection with the company January 1st, and is now in the employ of the Frisco railway.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Trauernicht and family spent Christmas day with Mrs. Trauernicht's mother, Mrs. Louise Block, who is 88 years of age. We are glad to report that her health is quite good despite her advanced years.—Farmington News.

Among the paroles granted by Gov. Major for release January 17, were the following to prisoners from Iron county: "Porter Abner, grand larceny, two years from January 16, 1916; paroled to B. S. Farr, Davisville; Harrison Parks, grand larceny, two years from January 15, 1916; paroled to W. O. Brooks, Bixby."

Comparative statement of taxes collected by B. P. Burnham:

1915 \$ 3128 24 1916 \$ 3210 20  
December 33427 12 December 37431 41

As a result of such prompt collections the county is able to meet all obligations, and the Treasurer announces that outstanding warrants will cease to bear interest on January 25, 1917.

Recorder Hawkins has issued the following marriage licenses the past week:

W. M. Long and Mattie Lucy of Minnium.

Fred Brooks of Pilot Knob and Georgia Moyer of Munger.

Grover Lollar of Pilot Knob and Letha Hawk of Edgehill.

Wm. B. Graves and Lucy M. Brunet of Redmondville.

From Monday's Globe-Democrat: John S. Clover, 76 years old, a Civil War veteran of Ironton, Mo., died yesterday at the home of his son, Frank M. Clover, 6949 Theodosia avenue, following a brief illness. He came to St. Louis three weeks ago.

Mr. Clover had been a resident of this county for eight or ten years. Some three weeks ago he leased his farm near Rainbow Dam, and went to reside in the city. Peace to his ashes!

At the annual stockholders' meeting of the Bank of Bismarck held on Monday the old board of directors was re-elected, namely: O. W. Ramsey, Dr. J. L. Eaton, H. L. Grider, Fred Oehler and Wm. Trauernicht. The board of directors organized by electing O. W. Ramsey, president; H. Eaton, vice-president and H. L. Grider, secretary. J. R. Thompson as cashier and Hugh Blasinghoff as assistant cashier were also retained.—Bismarck Gazette.

Justice Rache's court last Saturday Alvin Jones was fined one dollar for having assaulted Otto Reentretter on the public highway. Reentretter, in his auto, met a wagon containing Jones and two other men, the Catholic cemetery, north of Pilot Knob. Though the road was new, at that point, they passed out collision. Just at this moment the auto engine died, and Jones and his companions came on to Reentretter, who had been driving him, the accident was arrested, and Jones was arrested.

From the Farmington News: "The Flat River Post Office on July first of this year will take its rank with the Farmington and Boone Terre offices as a second class office, the receipts for the past year having gone over the \$8,000 mark. Postmaster Johnson told a News reporter Tuesday that the receipts the past year increased about \$1000 over the prior year and that the total for the year was \$9300, which is \$200 over the amount necessary to raise the office to second class."

From the De Soto Republican: "Martin's Mighty Minstrels, which played to a well filled house at the Jefferson Theatre in this city Tuesday night, immensely pleased the large audience. The troupe includes Terry Murphy, one of the best buck and wing dancers appearing on the boards here in a long time. Martin and Lax in their 'Chicken Act' also made a hit. It is really a good show and should meet with success. The troupe is managed by Freeman Martin, well known throughout Southeast Missouri as a minstrel man."

From the Piedmont Banner: "Ironton High School will debate Friday night, January 21. This is the first of the series of debates in the State League of the Southeast section. Piedmont won over Ironton last year but the Ironton lads are coming strong for revenge. Freeman and Munger represent Piedmont. Farrar and Edgar are the Ironton team. All of the boys played basket ball. Munger and Freeman tasted defeat at the hands of the Ironton crew last fall. How is their chance for revenge? Come out and boost for them while the boys discuss a live topic: Resolved, That the Federal government should own and control the railroads."

Dr. Hugo Summa, of St. Louis, has had a summer home in the valley for many years. The following is taken from the St. Louis Times of January 2d: "Dr. Hugo Summa, one of the leading diagnosticians in the country and one of the best known physicians in St. Louis, will leave with his wife for Santa Monica, Cal., Friday, to recuperate from a serious illness which confined him to his home, 4253 Washington boulevard, almost constantly during the last six months. Dr. Summa suffered a nervous breakdown from overwork last July. Since his breakdown Dr. Summa has been unable to attend to all his professional duties and had for some time contemplated a trip to California to regain his health. He will spend several months in California, according to his present plans, much of it in San Diego. Dr. Summa was born in Germany and educated there. He was graduated from the University of Munich and began the practice of medicine at Lauf, Bavaria. He has been a practicing physician in St. Louis for 28 years." We hope the Dr. will return home fully restored to health.

From the Farmington News: "W. H. Smollinger has sold the big Iron Mountain claim of 30-odd full sections of land including all improvements to a company of eastern capitalists for \$375,000. They will take possession of the property on March 1st and will develop the property in various ways. The rich and extensive iron deposits in the vicinity of the famous Iron Mountain will be opened and mined. The vicinity of Iron Mountain Lake will also be developed. The premises, we understand, are to be improved with driveways, lighted, sewerage system installed, summer hotel erected, etc. This is one of the most beautiful spots in the Middle West and its improvement as a pleasure resort will be welcomed by the people of this part of Missouri. Mr. Smollinger has owned the property for twelve years and has very successfully operated it in the raising of trotting horses and in general farming. He has farmed scientifically and has made good money at it. He tells us that he will engage in the cattle business in Wyoming where the Smollinger estate owns the water rights to a vast tract of land."

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Special Epworth League programme Sunday evening, Topic: "Epworth League Day." Leader, Miss Myra Keith.  
The Women's Missionary Society will meet Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Jessie Boardman. Election of officers and regular programme. All members are requested to attend.  
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